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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

| FEE CALCULATION | | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREV. PAID FOR | NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT RATE | | ADDITIONAL FEE | | | |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | | 16 , | MINUS | 20 | 0 | \$18 | \$ | 0.00 | | |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | | 2 · · · | MINUS | 3 | 0 | \$84 | \$ | 0.00 | | |
| Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of October 23, 2002 to and through January 23, 2003, for an extension of: One month (\$110) Two months (\$400) Three months (\$920) Four months (\$1440) | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE: | | | | | | | | 0.00 | | |
| | Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27. | | | | | | | | | |
| | No additional fee is required. | | | | | | | | | |
| | Payment of \$ by Credit Card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. | | | | | | | | | |
| | The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account, including any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 | | | | | | | | | |

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on <u>January 23, 2003</u>.

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Respectfully submitted,

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